



The Provo library was completed in 1907. In the background on the right is the house that still stands today as part of the Maternity Wardrobe. *Courtesy of O. Blaine Larson.*

had died in 1901.⁶ With 1,425 volumes available for public use, the Provo Library opened its doors in the courthouse on 2 January 1906. Shortly afterward, the Provo people conferred with Andrew Carnegie to receive money to develop a better building. Mr. Carnegie gave Provo City \$17,500 with the agreement that Provo would contribute 10 percent of that sum annually for its maintenance. The library was built at its present location and has been remodeled and enlarged as the years passed.

Industry during the next few years saw some of its most important progress, especially in steel, iron, and machinery manufacturing businesses. In 1885 the Provo Foundry and Machine Company had established the first major industry to deal with big machinery. Although it exchanged hands several